

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Timo Hillebrand, et al.  
Application Serial No. : 10/534,387  
Filing Date : November 22, 2005  
Title : Novel Buffer Formulations for  
Isolating, Purifying and Recovering  
Long-Chain and Short-Chain  
Nucleic Acids  
Confirmation No. : 2884  
Group Art Unit : 1637  
Examiner : Mark Staples

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Notice of Noncompliant Amendment mailed on August 19, 2008. This response is believed timely. If an extension is necessary, kindly grant one and deduct the fee for same from Deposit Account No. 02-4800, in the name of Buchanan Ingersoll PC. As required by the Notice, only the listing of claims is provided; the remainder of the May 15, 2008 response is undisturbed.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 6.